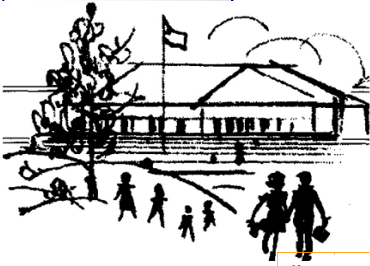


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Graham County School News



Graham County School Superintendent

Donna M. McGaughey

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Please visit our website
www.graham.az.gov

Superintendent's Message

Football, band, volleyball, soccer, Salsa Fest...you know it's fall by the sports and community schedules. Thank goodness it has cooled off a little. It's a busy, busy time—take care of yourselves! Many of our school administrators and school board members attended the annual Arizona School Boards Association Law Conference last month. This event was dedicated to educating school board members about school law and advocacy for our schools and students. It is always a job very well done, and I know our local members gained a lot of knowledge and information.

Our office hosted the second "New Teacher Coalition" meeting last month. The goal is help new teachers assimilate into our communities, network with other professionals, and glean strategies to help them become masters of their craft. We are so appreciative of the United Way of Graham and Greenlee Counties and the local businesses who are supporting this effort. We are also hosting the Math 20/20 trainings for kindergarten and grade 7/8 teachers. Everyone is sharpening their skills!

Amazing things happen when all of the partners pull together! We all need to support each other more now than ever. Finally—enjoy the Graham County Fair this month! Support the kids in their livestock shows, musical performances, art, etc. Have fun!

Contact us!

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Hours: Monday—Thursday
7:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

Closed Fridays

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Dates to Remember:

- Oct. 8—Columbus Day (The Graham County General Services Building will be closed.)
- Oct. 9—Arizona School Boards Association County meeting at TUSD
- Oct. 11—Graham County Fair opens
- Oct. 12—Graham County Fair Parade @ 10:00
- Oct. 22—Youth Mental Health First Aid training in Graham County
- Oct. 23—Graham/Greenlee Early Childhood Coalition in Duncan. Carpooling available from the Gen. Services Bldg.
- Oct. 24—New Teacher Coalition—Graham Co. General Services Bldg. 4:00—5:30
- Oct. 25—Math 20/20 training for kindergarten
- Oct. 26—Math 20/20 training for grade 7/8
- Oct. 31—I don't need to tell YOU that it's Halloween! Survive!



Graham County Fair Information! ***"Passport to Fun"***

The dates are Oct. 11-14, 2018 The fair staff look forward to you entering your students' work in their exhibit hall!

ANNUAL FAIR PARADE—Friday, October 12TH @ 10 a.m.
\$200 prize to the best Elementary & Jr. High (Middle) School Float

Check www.grahamcountyfair.com for **online entry form**, rules, and other info.

All fair entries will be judged and awarded by 12:00noon on Thursday October 11th. Come see how your entry did!

Email any questions to me,
Chelsea Nelson, at CNelson@graham.az.gov

Schedule:

Monday October 8th—Building #2 will be open from 1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. for class displays to be put up. Call 428-6240 to reserve a space. Otherwise, spaces are secured on a first come, first served basis. **Class displays DO NOT need an entry form; only individual entries need a form.**

Thursday Oct. 11th— 5:00 p.m. Fairgrounds and exhibit buildings open

Talent, instrumental and bands

6:00 p.m. carnival opens PAY ONE PRICE and RIDE until 11:00 p.m.

Friday Oct. 12th—10:00 a.m. parade on Main Street.

12:00 p.m. exhibits open

1:00 p.m. carnival opens

1:00 p.m. talent competition begins

10:00 p.m. exhibit buildings close

Saturday Oct. 13th—10:00 a.m. Fairgrounds and exhibit buildings open

12:00 p.m. carnival and open talent competition begins

10:00 p.m. Exhibit buildings close

Sunday Oct. 14th—10:00 a.m. Exhibit buildings open

1:00 carnival opens with ONE PAY PRICE

4:00 p.m. carnival and exhibit buildings close

6:00 p.m. exhibit pick-up

7:00 p.m. Fairgrounds close

For the complete schedule of events, please visit the Graham County Parks and Fair website at www.grahamcountyfair.com.

(Space is very limited...)

Youth Mental Health First Aid Training

Where: Graham County General Services Building—Assembly Room
921 Thatcher Blvd. Safford, AZ 85546

When: Monday October 22, 2018

Time: 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Cost: Free!

Register Here: <https://portal.mentalhealthfirstaid.org/firstaiders/Account/Login/Register?returnUrl=firstaiders>

Course ID: 00104644

Why Youth Mental Health First Aid?

Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches you **how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illnesses and substance use disorders**. This 8-hour training gives adults who work with youth the skills they need to reach out and provide initial support to adolescents (ages 12-18) who may be developing a mental health or substance use problem and help connect them to the appropriate care.

Who should take it?

- Teachers
- **School Staff**
- Coaches
- Camp counselors
- Youth group leaders
- Parents
- People who work with youth

What it covers:

- Common signs and symptoms of mental illnesses in this age group, including:
 - ⇒ Anxiety
 - ⇒ Depression
 - ⇒ Eating disorders
 - ⇒ **Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder**
- Common signs and symptoms of substance abuse use.
- How to interact with an adolescent in crisis.
- How to connect the adolescent with help.



The course will teach you how to apply the ALGEE action plan:

- **Assess** for risk of suicide or harm
- **Listen** nonjudgmentally
- **Give** reassurance and information
- **Encourage** appropriate professional help
- **Encourage** self-help and other support strategies

WHAT'S NEW AT THE SAFFORD CITY—GRAHAM COUNTY LIBRARY!

Atrium from Book Systems

The Safford Library is excited to announce our new and improved library system. A whole new package of awesome features and a more visual, user-friendly layout, Atrium includes:

- ◇ Online registration for library cards.
- ◇ Online reservation and renewal of items.
- ◇ One-stop searching for books, DVDs, audiobooks and eBooks.
- ◇ In-depth info on books, including cover images, table of contents, author notes, summaries and publisher reviews.
- ◇ Patron-friendly browsing. Search by your interests, recent additions, award winners and type of material (including DVDs and eBooks).
- ◇ Adding of items to your personal Bookbag to remember for future checkout.
- ◇ Community Spotlight on upcoming library events.

The screenshot displays the Safford City-Graham County Library Atrium website. The header features a blue navigation bar with a search bar, 'Home', 'Search', 'Visual', and 'Links' buttons. A banner with the text 'READ EXPLORE IMAGINE' and illustrations of children reading is visible. On the right, an 'Account' section shows 'Not Logged On' and 'Temporary Bookbag (1)' with 'Log On' and 'View' buttons. The main content area is divided into three columns: 'News And Messages' with 'LIBRARY HOURS' (Monday - Thursday 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM, Friday - Sunday CLOSED), 'Community Spotlight' for the 'BOYS & GIRLS CLUB' with a 'See All' button, and 'Your Library App' with a QR code and 'Librista' logo. A 'Featured' section at the bottom displays a row of book covers including 'Let's wait for the station', 'The Little Prince', 'Easter', 'Snoopy', 'Encyclopedia Americana', and 'My "n" Book'.



The Safford City-Graham County Library offers amazing resources for teachers and students at no cost!

Library Cards Residents of Graham and Greenlee county are eligible for a free library card. Children under 18 must have a parent's or legal guardian's permission to get a library card.

Library Tours and ScienceCity Field Trips Library tours are available for classes with at least 2 weeks' notice. For more information, write to Victoria Silva at vsilva@saffordaz.gov. A limited number of hands-on ScienceCity field trips are available to K-6th classes visiting the library. For more information, write to Lesley Talley at ltalley@saffordaz.gov.

Online Tutoring Live, online tutoring for students in kindergarten through college is available daily from 2pm till midnight through Tutor.com on the library's website. Tutor.com is free to all students in Graham and Greenlee counties thanks to support from the Safford Library, the Greenlee County Library District and the United Way of Graham County.

Online Classes - Universal Class

Over 500 free online classes are available to library card holders. Courses include computer skills and teacher related courses for CEU credit. Remember, the classes are free **ONLY** if accessed through the library's website.

Language Learning - Mango Languages

User-friendly language learning is available for over 70 languages through Mango Languages. It includes 11 ESL options for those who are learning English. Remember, the classes are free **ONLY** if accessed through the library's website.

Academic Databases

Information-packed online databases from Gale and Britannica are available for elementary through high-school age children. With vetted information, no pop-up ads and clear citations, they offer a great research tool for students.

Tumblebooks, eBooks and downloadable audiobooks

Digital versions of many popular books for young children through teens are available through the library website. Tumblebooks targets younger children with colorful picture books and simple chapter books. Our eBook and downloadable audiobook collections include titles for tweens and teens.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

Thanks to funding from Arizona First Things First, all children in Graham and Greenlee counties are eligible to receive free books mailed to their home from birth until their 5th birthday. These high-quality books are theirs to keep and build their own home library.

Books, DVDs and Audiobooks

With approximately 45,000 items on the shelves, the library is sure to have something for you or your students. From picture books and children's audiobooks to nonfiction books and DVDs, we have great resources to support you in the classroom.

For more information or for a teacher tour/training, call 432-4165.

An Invitation....

Graham/Greenlee Early Childhood Coalition *Start Early. Finish Strong.*

Open the door between early childhood and primary grades by joining us for another gathering in our series of coalition collaborations.

Tuesday, October 23, 2018

4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Duncan Primary School

Hosts: Duncan Head Start & K-3 Teachers



The Early Childhood Coalition is *going on the road* this year! Each meeting will be held in a different location. Please join us for a trip to Duncan.

TOPIC: A Potpourri of Pre-K-Gr. 3 Activity

Attendees will travel from preschool through 3rd grade experiences to participate in a variety of instructional **science and social studies** activities. Each teacher is planning a special presentation. Come to network!

Join the fun! The Graham/Greenlee Early Childhood Coalition is open to all early childhood providers/directors and K-3 teachers/administrators! Please spread the word. **Register by contacting Paulette LeBlanc at pleblanc@aznexus.net by Wednesday, Oct. 17th.** Carpooling will be arranged from Safford. We'll leave from the General Services Building at 3:30 p.m.

The Graham/Greenlee Early Childhood Coalition is sponsored by:

*Donna McGaughey, Graham County School Superintendent
Tom Powers, Greenlee County School Superintendent
JoAnn Morales, EAC Early Childhood Instructor*



Look what the good folks at E.A.S.I. have planned for you!



All teachers who teach STEM subjects are invited to join the Eastern Arizona Science Initiative, known as E.A.S.I. They have a wonderful slate of camps, professional development and meetings planned. This is the schedule, subject to slight changes, but use this to plan ahead.

Please let your fellow teachers know about the wonderful opportunities gained by joined E.A.S.I.! It's easy!

2018—2019 EASI Camps and Events Calendar:

Monthly Meetings – DPC Ranch House 5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. *(generally the second Wednesday of each month)*

Wed. October 10, 2018	Wed. March 6, 2019	Wed. Oct. 9, 2019
Wed. November 14, 2018	Wed. April 10, 2019	Wed. Nov. 13, 2019
Wed. December 12, 2018	Wed. May 8, 2019	Wed. Dec. 11, 2019
Wed. January 9, 2019	Wed. Aug. 14, 2019	
Wed. February 13, 2019	Wed. Sept. 11, 2019	

Special Events/Activities:

Gila Valley Rocketry Association Launch	Saturday—Oct. 20, 2018
Arizona Science Teachers Association (ASTA) conference	Thurs./Fri.—Nov. 1st/2nd, 2018
EASI Saturday Science Camp	Saturday—Nov. 10, 2018
Teacher Professional Development Workshop	Saturday—Dec. 15, 2018
EASI GO (Girls Only) STEM Science Camp	Saturday—Jan. 26, 2019
Gila Valley Health and STEAM Festival	Saturday—Feb. 23, 2019
Eastern Arizona Regional Science Fair	Thursday—Saturday, March 7-9, 2019
EASI 5th & 6th grade Saturday Science Camp	Saturday—April 20, 2019
EASI Tonto Creek Camp	Tuesday—Friday, May 28-31, 2019
EASI High School Geology Camp	Monday—Thursday, June 17-20, 2019
EASI Summer Science Camp	Monday—Wednesday, June 24-26, 2019

Contact Jackie Madsen at Jackie.madsen@eac.edu

Or call the EAC Discovery Park Campus at
928-428-6260





Arizona Department of Education Exceptional Student Services

Presents

2018-2019 AT Superhero Academy

Assistive Technology Regional Academies

The "Write" Stuff

Come and learn about tools and strategies to help struggling writers of all ages. Both motor aspects and composition will be discussed.

I Can't Read That!

We will take a look at barriers some students encounter, accessible educational materials, and tools that can help your student(s) be more successful and independent.

AT is in the mATh - Get ready to calculATe

This training will provide an overview of tools and strategies to support all students in accessing and benefiting from the mATh curriculum. Come to this training to calculATe your student's mATh support needs.

Times: 1:00 PM-4:00 PM

October- Northern Arizona

- 10/23: ADE Flagstaff Office- Math
- 10/24: ADE Flagstaff Office - Reading
- 10/25: ADE Flagstaff Office- Writing

November- Northern Arizona

- Bullhead City - dates and locations- TBD

December- Southern Arizona

- 12/4: Academies of Math and Science - Math
- 12/5: Tucson USD - Reading and Writing

January- Southern Arizona

- 1/23: Sierra Vista USD - Math
- 1/24: JO Combs USD - Reading and Writing

February- Central Arizona

- 2/5: Littleton ESD - Reading
- 2/7: Higley USD - Math
- 2/20: Deer Valley USD - Writing

Be on the look out for additional information on dates, times, and registration! atinfo@azed.gov



Bruce, Janet, Mitch, Elida, and Janelle



Science Happens Here!

Local First Arizona, Freeport-McMoRan, the Arizona Rural Development Council, the Arizona SciTech Festival and the Graham County School Office are presenting **Science Happens Here** to advance STEM education in our community. Parents are encouraged to take their students to local businesses to collect trading cards. The cards, shown below, are designed to engage students with the science connected to the business. The students can learn more about STEM by gaining access to simple experiments found online using the website and code found on each card.



The following businesses are participating in this year's program. The class with the most participants will win a prize, which will be awarded early in the 2018-2019 school year. New cards have been added, so go get them! Thank you to the Arizona Science Center's Science on Wheels program for providing prizes!

Lee's Rite-Way
Trophies –N– Tees
Smith & Taylor Automotive
Indigo Mountain
The Hair Academy of Safford
Graham County Florist
Abacus Solutions
Carpet Tile and More
Cosmetology
Thank you businesses!

Genevieve's Market Place
Debbie's Craft Connection
Kempton Chevrolet
Bowman Consulting
Graham County Co-op
Richard's Music Company
Holladay's Photo Emporium
Cottage Bakery
Enchanted Boutique

A Step Back in Time
Sun Pumps
Curtis Landscape
Taylor Freeze
Hot Wheels Cyclery
CMI Quick Copy
The Plantation
Eastern Arizona Academy of
Casa Manana

Rural Activation and Innovation Network



RAIN STEM

Grants are available for up to \$5,000.

STEM Grants!

Grants do not cover salaries, utilities or administrative costs, and must be an “extra-curricular”, weekend or summer event and not during the regular school day.

Please take advantage of the current Funding Cycles:

***Attention Graham & Greenlee County Teachers
and Community STEM Educators:***

**Do you have a GREAT idea for a sustainable STEM activity or event... but need help
with funding? The Rural Activation and Innovation Network (RAIN)
of Graham & Greenlee County can help!**

Led by Arizona State University and Arizona Science Center, RAIN (Rural Activation and Innovation Network) is funded by the National Science Foundation to help rural communities in Arizona collaborate on developing locally relevant learning experiences in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). While there are many people in rural areas working on this issue, RAIN aims to bring individuals and organizations together into networks that can share resources and knowledge for learning and outreach.

For more information, Grant Application and Scoring Rubric go to: 4azrain.org

Hover over “Rural Innovation Councils” and Click on “Graham/Greenlee Counties”

United Way of Graham and Greenlee Counties

Education Grant Opportunities

Goal Statement:

The United Way of Graham & Greenlee counties recognizes that education 1) happens everywhere, 2) begins at birth and does not stop, and 3) is a collective community endeavor.

Objectives:

Improving school readiness for every child

The United Way will support activities that help prepare children from birth-to-4 years for successful entry into kindergarten.

Supporting efforts to ensure every student reads at grade level - especially by third grade

The United Way will support and collaborate with educators, agencies and partners who are working to address grade level reading for all grades.

Increasing student access to quality transitional programs

The United Way will support educators, entities and programs that address learning-loss or key transitional periods for students such as after school activities, summer programs and internship opportunities.

Supporting community and school district efforts with teacher retention and recruitment

The United Way will support school districts, businesses, governmental agencies and community development organizations to enhance teacher workforce recruitment and retention.

Providing direct support to teachers in the classroom by helping to cultivate innovative learning environments and approaches

The United Way will partner with schools and teachers to implement innovative approaches to help address 21st Century challenges.

Partnerships:

The United Way recognizes that community partnerships are essential to achieving these education objectives. Wherever possible, the United Way will seek to strengthen and broaden community partnerships for the purposes of leveraging resources, sharing of knowledge and expertise, and enhancing program impacts.

Apply Now!

Visit the United Way website at www.uwggc.com - Click on "How to Apply"

November 2nd for November Review

For questions related to the

For assistance with your grant, contact Paulette LeBlanc

pleblanc@aznex.net

They Did It!

Each month we list grant opportunities available both locally and from major corporations and philanthropic entities. The grants include those from Freeport-McMoRan, United Way of Graham and Greenlee Counties, Arizona Community Foundation and others such as Donors Choose. I am pleased to announce several teachers in Graham and Greenlee have been funded! I am not aware of **every** funded project, but I want to give kudos to those who have let me know about their success.

Michele Richardson, Metcalf Elementary

United Way—\$1,076.29

Yoga mats for Wildcats

Melanie Allen, Safford High School

United Way, \$24,990

Finding the Missing Link—Link Crew

Jennie Romero, Morenci Early Learning Center

United Way, \$2,244

Early Literacy Backpacks

Nichole Romero, Morenci Early Learning Center

United Way, \$3,500

Water Table

Morgan Rodgers, Safford High School

Walmart, \$1,500

SHS Food Security Program

As I mentioned, I only know about the awards that are shared with me, so please let me know about your successes! I want to thank Paulette LeBlanc who does a tremendous job with her grant-writing sessions at SEATA. These awards are a direct result of taking those classes. Money is out there—let's go get it!!

Great Arizona ShakeOut of Oct. 18, 2018 for a safer, more resilient Arizona

Fifty percent of Americans live in an earthquake hazard zone (Source: US Geological Survey); the Western U.S. is particularly prone to damaging large-magnitude earthquakes. Earthquakes occur in Arizona, too. Most are unfelt small magnitude events, but earthquake faults of Arizona and environs can produce damaging magnitude 6 and 7 earthquake events.

Visit the interactive [Natural Hazards in Arizona](#) for the location of faults and earthquake epicenters across the state.

Preparing Arizona K-12 students for earthquakes. Preparing in advance for ground-shaking that accompanies earthquakes is the surest way to minimize fatalities and injuries. Each year the Arizona Geological Survey (AZGS) partners with the Arizona Dept. of Emergency & Military Affairs (DEMA) to host the [Great Arizona ShakeOut](#) 2-minute Drop-Cover-Hold On earthquake preparedness drill.

ShakeOut offers a teachable moment of the dynamic nature of Earth's tectonic plates. Grades 4 and 7 with Earth and Space Science strands and high school earth sciences courses are particularly amenable to lessons illustrating the processes that power earthquake activity and the resulting impact on human society (Table 1).

Table 1. A teachable opportunity – dynamic Earth – supporting Arizona curriculum

Grade 4 ~ Strand 1: Inquiry Process

Grade 4 ~ Strand 6: Earth and Space Science

Grade 7 ~ Earth and Space Science

Concept 1: Structure of the Earth

Concept 2: Earth's Processes and systems

ShakeOut is structured such that enrollment, advising faculty and students, and deploying the drill requires just a handful of minutes (Table 2). Online resources are available to guide administrators and teachers through the entire exercise. (Table 3 & promotional graphics below).

Table 2. Three simple steps to engage faculty and students in ShakeOut

Register online at [Great Arizona ShakeOut Register Here!](#) (~ 2-minute process)
Inform students that preparing for earthquakes is critically important and in the best interests of they, their families and communities. (~ 5 to 15 minutes)

Deploy the Drop, Cover, and Hold On drill on 18 Oct. (or some other time appropriate for your students) (~ 2-minute drill)

Table 3. Online Resources supporting Great Arizona ShakeOut

[Great Arizona ShakeOut](#) – Resource & Online Registration page

[ShakeOut drill manual for K-12 schools](#) – step-by-step procedure for running ShakeOut drill

[Earthquake Safety Video Series](#) – with captions in English, Spanish and French

[ShakeOut Drill Broadcast](#) for PA systems

We hope that you and your students choose to engage in the Great Arizona ShakeOut at 10:18 a.m. on 18 Oct. 2018. Please let us know if we can help with information, advise or talking with your faculty.

Respectfully yours,

Michael Conway Senior Research Scientist

Arizona Geological Survey @ The University of Arizona

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AACSS - Graham County School

District Employees

Welcome to the Student Loan Relief Benefit

Fiducius

A Better Kind of Benefit



Register,
see if we
can help.



Schedule
your first
meeting.



Meet with
your student
loan advisor.



Receive your
custom plan
& save!

If loan forgiveness does not make sense for you, refinancing may be an option. Do not refinance your loans until you find out if PSLF makes sense for you FIRST. Doing so will make you ineligible for future student loan forgiveness.

Register

Start saving on your student loans using the registration code: graham

If you have questions regarding your code, please contact us at 513.645.5400.

Trying to understand all the possible ways to better manage your student loans is a daunting task. We are pleased to offer a new Loan Relief benefit from **Fiducius (formerly ISLoan Solutions)**. With their financial planning approach, the student loan Advisors at Fiducius help you navigate and determine your best option, including forgiveness, refinancing and consolidation.

It's easy to get started with this new benefit. You can determine your eligibility and potential savings in just a few minutes by visiting

<https://aacss-graham.myfiducius.com/register>



ISLoan Solutions is now Fiducius

Our name may have changed, but our commitment to helping you take control of your student loans with personalized financial planning is still the same!

You can learn more about us by visiting

www.getfiducius.com

*In 2007, Congress established the Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) program to help any not for profit, 501c3, or government agency employee reduce their federal student loan burden and incentivize them to stay in public service.

After learning about the program and reviewing your savings plan, if you choose to have Fiducius implement and manage the program on your behalf, there is a fee for service. Clients feel the fee is reasonable based on the education and savings they receive.

Living Our Best Lives as a Family

"Since teaming up with Fiducius, my life has changed drastically for the better! Having the stress and weight of roughly \$500 per month in student loan payments lifted has allowed my family to actually LIVE! We can pay our bills, fill our cupboards and fridge, go on family outings, eat out as a family and still have money left over."

Erin, Teacher, WI



Prepare Your Students for Real-World STEM with Dig Into Mining

In today's global economy, STEM skills are critical to success. Help your students prepare for the future job market with [Dig Into Mining: The Story of Copper](#). Our varied classroom resources are designed to ignite a sense of curiosity and exploration in your 6th - 12th grade students, while teaching and testing standards-aligned topics in STEM.

EXPLORE NOW

With relevant examples from today's copper industry, Dig Into Mining's educator tools make it easy to connect classroom learning to real-world STEM applications. For example, students can:

[Investigate](#) the patterns of natural resources around the globe

[Explore](#) how copper is used in electronic and hybrid vehicles

[Utilize](#) proportional relationships to determine the economic feasibility of a mine site

[Research](#) how microorganisms are used in the wastewater treatment process

[Identify](#) the physical boundaries of a mine using satellite geoimages

... and much more!

Discover more classroom extensions and teacher resources [here](#).

Extend the learning further with our exclusive [Dig Into Mining Virtual Field Trips](#). Stream on demand to give your students a behind-the-scenes look at a working copper mine and hear from Freeport-McMoRan professionals as they guide you through the mining process from planning to reclamation.

Follow [@DiscoveryEd](#) on Twitter and join the conversation using #DigIntoMining.



REGISTER YOUR [Library Kids](#) TO VOTE NOW!!!!

2018 Kids Voting AZ General Election

It is time to get your students civically engaged!! In November, Arizona will vote for a Governor, U.S. Senator, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Attorney General and many more. Show your students how important voting is NOW so that they vote when they are 18. The more they practice, the better they will do when they are of age to vote!

The Arizona Foundation for Legal Services and Education with support from the Maricopa County Recorder's Office is hosting the **2018 Kids Voting AZ General Election** for youth to vote and experience this civic responsibility. By registering now, you will receive Voter IDs for your students and "I Voted" stickers to distribute to your students after they have voted. Registration is **OPEN** so please register today! Visit <https://lawforkids.org/kvaz-teachers> to learn more and register.

Please note, the 2018 Kids Voting AZ General Election Ballot will **go live on October 10th, 2018** and will remain open until November 6th, 2018 at 11am. You can have your students vote online at any point during this time frame. Register now to be ready!

We are not just *talking* about civic engagement, we are *doing*! Join us!!!!

Questions? Email Deepika.Padmavati@azflse.org. Want to attend free Kids Voting training? Click here-
<https://lawforkids.org/kvaz-teachers/kvaz-training>

*If you do not have an account with our website lawforkids.org, you will need to create one before registering to participate in the 2018 Kids Voting AZ General Election.

Instructions for Creating an Account:

- 1) Visit <https://lawforkids.org/kids-voting-az>
- 2) If you haven't already done so, create an account* on the right hand side of the page located under the login button.
- 3) After you create an account, you will receive an e-mail to activate your account (sometimes this email may go to your spam inbox). Please click on this e-mail. If you do not activate your account, you will not be able to login.
- 4) Then you will be able to visit the website and login to your newly created account.

*Creating an account will be a one-time only process.

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Hey fourth graders! See America's natural wonders and historic sites for free.

Parents and guardians

Stay close to home, or travel somewhere new. This year's the perfect time for an unforgettable outing.

[Learn more](#)

Fourth graders

This is for you! Explore ancient dwellings. See a waterfall taller than a building.

[Get your pass](#)

Educators

Get passes, download our activity, or plan a life-changing field trip for your fourth-grade students. [More Info](#)

Every Kid in a Park

You and your family get free access to hundreds of parks, lands, and waters for an entire year. [How it works](#)



@everykidinapark

Congratulations to local educator Kara Calloway!



Kara Calloway, who currently teaches Computer Technology, Business Operations and Accounting at Safford High School was recently named the "Arizona Business Educator of the Year 2018-2019."

Julie Ellis, when presenting the award, provided these remarks: "Kara has been positively influencing students for over 16 years through her FBLA and teaching career. She supports her students in all their efforts and encourages them to reach new heights in their education and leadership ability. Her love for FBLA and learning is reflected in her actions as a teacher and a friend." Congratulations Kara!



Stephanie Hoopes, algebra and Spanish teacher at Pima High School was recently honored as Graham County's nominee for the Arizona Rural School Association's Teacher of the Year. During the association's annual conference in Flagstaff each fall, each county's nominee is presented and honored for their contributions to education in our rural schools. Congratulations Stephanie!

Another Graham County woman was honored as the recipient of the inaugural Rosy Rubio Memorial Scholarship. Tasha Mattice, paraprofessional in the Pima Unified School



District received this scholarship which will go toward her goal of pursuing her teaching degree. We are very proud of our teachers and teachers in training!

Speaking of good things...Five years ago, Dr. Nic Clement began the "Legendary Teacher" project. Dr. Clement served as a keynote speaker at SEATA two years in a row. He shared stories of his own legendary teachers and implored us to remember and honor them. I will devote space in the newsletter to anyone who wishes to write about their own legendary teacher. There is also an online tribute page which can be found at <https://www.legendaryteacher.com/Tribute>.

Also, materials that have been created and shared are available as open access at www.legendaryteacher.com. Dr. Clement has published another book titled *Raise the Bar & Then...* Proceeds from his books have been going to foundation grant funds designed to help districts with a variety of needs. Feel free to spread the word and honor those teachers who molded your lives and helped you become who you are today!

Administrators, please submit your good news to me and I will happily spread the word! We have so many good things going on in our schools and we need to let the community know about them.



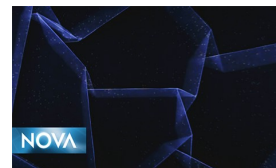
We're starting the school year off with a bold, new look!

PBS LearningMedia is excited to announce an improved site design and user experience, making our resources easier than ever for teachers like you to find and integrate into your curriculum. These new features, which are based on feedback from educators nationwide, include: a refreshed look and feel, the ability to easily browse by curriculum area, standards and grade bands, improved search functionality, and easier access to resources from your local PBS station. [Explore the Site](#)



Life Lessons on Separation with Daniel Tiger

[Explore More](#)



The Structure of the Universe May Twist and Fold like Origami

[Explore More](#)

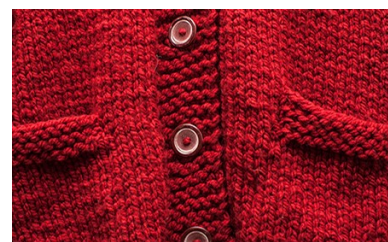


Reading is More Than Just Reading, It's Reading Critically

[Explore More](#)

How the Lessons of Fred Rogers Are Inspiring My Teaching This Year

[Read Blog](#)

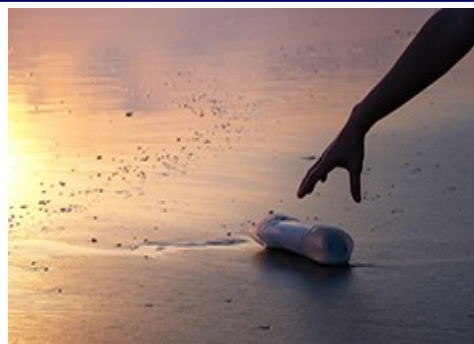


Standards Aligned Resources for Life Science & Biology



Shape of Life Grades: 6-12

Shape of Life is a series of short classroom videos that beautifully illustrate the evolution of the animal kingdom on planet Earth. These classroom videos are NGSS aligned with exquisite focus on diversity, biodiversity, adaptability, body structure, and design. [Discover More](#)



Healthy Oceans Grades: 6-10

What are some local actions we can take to protect our global ocean? In this Flipside Science unit, Healthy Oceans, students can dive into the issues affecting our oceanic resources and biodiversity. Using videos hosted by youth and accompanying activities, you can engage your students in learning about invasive species, coral bleaching, microplastics, and more. [Discover More](#)



Gulf Detectives Grades: 5-8

Gulf Detectives at Dauphin Island Sea Lab is an exciting opportunity for students to access beaches, coastal wetlands, Mobile Bay and the Gulf of Mexico without leaving their desks. This virtual laboratory and field experience is designed to increase students' knowledge of science and encourage interest in STEM subjects. [Discover More](#)



Professional Development

An Introduction to Underlying Principles and Research for Effective Literacy Instruction

Grades: PreK-8 | Hours: 45

Explore research-based instructional strategies which will improve your teaching practice. This course will help you explore best practices for phonemic awareness, phonics, and word recognition instruction to build student skills in vocabulary, comprehension, and fluency. [Explore Course](#)



Accomplished Science Teaching: Building Student Understanding

Grades: K-12 | Hours: 45 Through this course, learners focus on the evolution of student learning of science concepts. With an understanding of how science concepts build on each other, whether within a unit or grade or across grades, teachers can make well-informed instructional decisions and help students build their own understanding more efficiently. [Explore Course](#)



Did You Know? Logging in to PBS LearningMedia Gives You Instant Access to Extra Features!

Lesson Builder

Create and assign an interactive lesson in three short steps.
Use this workspace to create and assign lessons. Get started today!
Questions? See the tutorial or read the help page.

Create a Lesson



Lesson Builder Tool

PBS LearningMedia has designed tools to make it easy for you to create engaging student assignments, personalize learning, and track student progress. Use the lesson builder to create and assign an interactive lesson in three short steps!

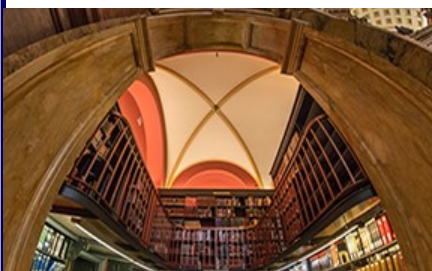
[Build a Lesson](#)



Integration with Clever

For classrooms using Clever's single sign-in tool: You and your students can log in to PBS LearningMedia anytime using your Clever credentials! Have your account administrator add PBS LearningMedia to your dashboard today: schools.clever.com/signup/pbs-learningmedia

[Integrate With Clever](#)



Teaching with Primary Sources from the Library of Congress Grades: 3-12 | Hours: 45

Take a course that will help you learn how to best utilize the amazing resources and materials housed in the Library of Congress! This course, put into practice, can help you foster student engagement, build critical thinking skills, and enhance knowledge construction. [Explore Course](#)



Integration with Schoology

Does your school use the Schoology LMS? Adding LearningMedia to your Schoology account through the App Center enables instant single-sign-on integration, allowing teachers at your school to log in to PBS LearningMedia with their Schoology accounts.

[Integrate With Schoology](#)



Little Women

Grades: 6-9

Introduce your students to the beloved classic “Little Women.” These resources include essays and teaching tips for an innovative way to access, understand, and analyze this piece of classic literature. [Discover More](#)



What Happens Under the Sea?

Standards Aligned Resources for Life Science & Biology

Take a deep dive into marine science with this new collection, bringing together content that follows the national standard for Biology and Life Sciences. You'll find valuable supplemental resources you can use to build engaging lessons on climate, ecosystems, natural selection, and more! [Explore Collection](#)



Poetry Everywhere

Grades: 7-12

Explore the power of language, look at the world with a fresh sense of wonder, and build reading and writing skills with these poetry resources. What better time that summer to discover your inner poet? [Discover More](#)



The Unspoken Rules of the Hiking Trail

From the well-traveled hikes at Glen Alps in Anchorage to the more elusive wilderness trails in Lake Clark National Park - Alaska is home to stunning hikes which attract visitors from around the world. See Alaska through the eyes of a local teacher - this blog post may inspire some impromptu summer plans! [Read More](#)

The Latino and Native-American community have a rich culture here in the Southwest, particularly Arizona. On Arizona PBS Learning Media's website, there is a plentiful amount of material on these communities, for both teachers and parents alike. All of the resources here line up with state and national standards. Specifically, for resources on Latino culture, there is an entire page full of tools, such as educator guides, media resources, arts and artists, civil rights, and much more. It is a part of the [Latino Public Broadcasting Education Collection](#). The LPB provides a voice to the diverse Latino community throughout the United States.



[Pedro E. Guerrero Photography Workshop](#)

This media gallery contains video clips from the American Masters and VO-CES co-presentation of Pedro E. Guerrero: A Photographer's Journey. The videos are intended for use in a beginner's photography workshop. See the support materials below for a sample photography workshop plan.



[As Long as I Remember: American Veteranos | PTSD and Art as Therapy: Media Gallery](#)

As Long As I Remember: American Veteranos examines the steep personal toll and enduring legacy of the Vietnam War on three artists from south Texas: visual artist Juan Farias, author Michael Rodriguez and actor/poet Eduardo Garza. Through their personal histories and experiences of these Chicano veterans, the film reveals the important role

plays in sorting their memories, celebrating their culture, and treating the long-term impact of their military experience including post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).



[Rebel: Loretta Velazquez Civil War Soldier and Spy | Lesson Plan: Hidden Histories](#)

"What a woman may do if only she dares, and dares to do greatly."
— Loretta Velazquez

Rebel: Loretta Velazquez Civil War Soldier and Spy, the true story of Loreta Velazquez, Confederate soldier turned Union spy...

In addition, there is a page dedicated for the [Native-American Heritage Collection](#). The collection includes many valuable guides, such as clips and materials from [POV | Up Heartbreak Hill](#), lessons on the Cherokee alphabet, dances and music, and much more.



[Children and Families | Native American Civilizations | U.S. History](#)

This mini-collection of photographs of Native Americans were individually selected from the prestigious Getty Images collections to help PBS LearningMedia teachers and students discuss Native American History. Visit our full collection of 150 images, all downloadable for classroom use.



[Portraits | Native American Civilizations | U.S. History](#)

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[Native American Heritage Month | All About the Holidays](#)



[For You: THE GREAT AMERICAN READ](#)

On Tuesday, September 11, 2018, at 7 p.m. on 8.1. [THE GREAT AMERICAN READ](#) picked up from the May 2018 premiere of the eight-part series that explores the power of reading, told through the prism of America's 100 best-loved novels (as chosen in a national survey)*.

The final episode will reveal the results of a nationwide vote to choose America's best-loved book. [Check local listings](#).

Be sure to vote! Explore the list of the 100 novels and vote now for your favorites. The full voting details are available [here](#).



Arizona Archaeological
and Historical Society

*F. Lewis Orrell Jr. Bequest
Curriculum Development Award*

Are you a Public or Charter K-12 teacher?

Would you like to teach about the archaeology, history, or
anthropology of the American Southwest?

Apply for the new Orrell Curriculum Development Award! Grants are up to
\$5000 and can cover supplies, textbooks, and other instructional materials as well as travel and enrollment costs for your continuing education. Open to current K-12 Public/Charter School Teachers only.

Application
deadline

The application deadline is **February 28**.

found on the

Applications should be submitted through the AAHS
website www.az-arch-and-hist.org The form can be
drop down menu under Grants. Questions:
aahs1916@gmail.com.

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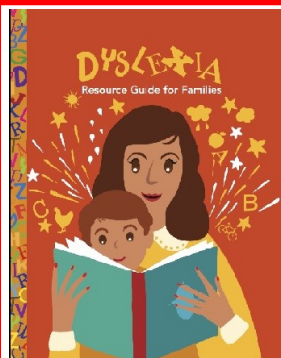


Arizona Teachers Can Win \$500 From APS



Yesterday APS launched their "Supply My Class" Teacher Awards sweepstake. APS will award \$500 for school supplies to 1,000 Arizona K-8 public and charter...

[Read More](#)



Dyslexia Resource Guide for Families Now Available!

Download and share the Dyslexia Resource Guide for Families, a new, parent-friendly resource for families with children 0-12 who want to learn more about dyslexia, what dyslexia might look like in their child and what they can do to support their child if they have dyslexia. [Download the free pdf here.](#)

Read On Arizona extends our sincere appreciation to The Burton Family Foundation for its generous support of the printing and outreach of the *Dyslexia Resource Guide for Families*.

Trauma Resources (from Sandi Cimino, presenter at SEATA)

The Sanford Inspires Program at ASU offers a wealth of free, online resources to teachers.

Steps:

1. Go to <https://sanfordinspire.org/>
2. Create a free account
3. Click on "On Demand Modules" in the toolbar at the top of the page.
4. Scroll through to see all the offerings or search specific terms (like "trauma") in the search box.



The pending *Arizona Department of Education History and Social Science Standards* include economics and financial literacy as one of the four core disciplines, and must be included in all disciplinary skills and processes, across all grades.

If you feel you lack the economics skills, or are rusty, we have TWO online resources for you, both **available here at no charge**.

- The High School Economics & Financial Literacy eTextbook by *Steven Reff*, and his companion interactive material for classroom projection.

These are great references for teachers of all grades across all the social studies, economics, business, and math.

Both are written by **Steven Reff**, retired Tucson high school AP Economics educator and former lecturer in the Economics Department at the University of Arizona. He was also winner of the UA student-selected Five-Star award for best faculty member, among many other awards.

Arizona Geographic Alliance (AzGA)

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LESSON OF THE WEEK

DOGSTAILS: An Introduction to Map Reading

Description: In this lesson, students will learn 9 essential elements for interpreting and creating maps.

Author: Gale Ekiss and Mary Ann Polve

Grade Range: 6-8

Duration: 1 class period

<https://geoalliance.asu.edu/dogstails>

USING THE AZGA WEBSITE

As school began, we had the privilege of meeting many new teachers. For these new teachers and some “old” teachers, here is a short lesson on how to use the AzGA website to reduce your frustration generally with finding things on-line.

BTW, the AzGA lessons and maps may also be found through the ASU Mary Lou Fulton Professional Learning Library at <https://pll.asu.edu/p/>

The purpose of the Arizona Geographic Alliance (AzGA) is to strengthen geography education in Arizona. **AzGA does this by providing high quality materials and professional development to teachers. You can find us at <http://geoalliance.asu.edu>**
[So on to a short tour of the website \(or how to find things\).](#)

For Lessons -- On the RH side in green tabs

[GeoLiteracy](#) --lessons integrating geography and language arts

[GeoSTEM](#) --lessons integrating geography and science, technology, engineering and/or mathematics

[GeoHistory](#) --lessons integrating geography and history

[Legacy Project](#) --lessons created to celebrate Arizona's history and geography--perfect for fourth grade teachers.

[Geography & Diverse Learners \(ELLs\)](#)--all of our geography lessons that have had ELL adaptations added to them

[Giant Map Activities](#) --activities, materials and lessons that may be used with the giant Arizona floor map (Note: This is NOT the main page for the program. It has its own button.)

All the sections may be sorted by GRADE LEVEL. You can also search by topics (water, wildfires, etc.).

Other Sections

[AzGA on Facebook](#) – Postings on FB include cool maps, job opportunities, event opportunities, and things we think you might be interested in that have a short deadline. These items are usually not repeated in the Resources and Opportunities emails. If you do FB, please join us at <https://www.facebook.com/geoalliance/> .

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Become a Member – We are totally free and do not share your contact information with other groups. You can stop AzGA emails anytime by requesting it at azga@asu.edu.

Giant Floor Map Program This is information about the program and how it works. It includes:

Where to get trained to be certified to borrow the map – [Upcoming events](#)

Where the map has been – **Storymap** <http://arcg.is/2mBhXpg>

How to borrow the map –

- [booking availability calendar](#)
- [borrower request form](#)
- [frequently asked questions](#)

AzGA has six Arizona Landscape maps that we are lending at no charge to educators. We also have two maps in southern Arizona. Contact [Mabel Rivera](#) to borrow the Nat Geo Arizona map in Tucson. Contact [Diana Spratt](#) to borrow the Nat Geo Arizona map in Yuma.

Tabs Across The Top Of The Page Include

- Home and About Us and Contact Us
- Resources - links to sites you might find useful.
- Geographic Bee - Info on this year's Bee
- Maps – **over 360 maps** made for Arizona classrooms divided into World, Regions, Countries, US & Southwestern US, Arizona, Historical Maps and even a set designed for Grades 1-4
- Virtual Workshops (**Under Construction**) which will have three main categories—Careers in Geography, Educator Geographic Literacy, and Student Geographic Literacy
- Search—search for lessons by grade level and by topics

Request: If you find bad links, misspellings, bad data – please let us know about it. We very much want to know if there is a problem so we can fix it.

AzGA PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Celebrating 100 Years As a National Park: Exploring and Celebrating 100 Years as a National Park: Grand Canyon Saturday, October 27, 2018 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Map and Geospatial Hub 601 E Tyler Mall Tempe, AZ 85281

This GeoDayTrip is divided into 2 sessions. You may attend one or both. Those attending both sessions will be provided with lunch. Registration will be limited to 35 people. Register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/geodaytrip-celebrating-100-years-as-a-national-park-grand-canyon-tickets-47085779835?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

AM Session--The morning session (9:00-11:45 AM) includes information on the mapping and history of the Grand Canyon, and lesson plans and resources found on the AzGA website that focus on the Grand Canyon.

PM Session--The afternoon session (12:30-3:00) includes the interactive sandbox where you can make your own Grand Canyon, demonstrations of how to make a topographic map with a 3-D printer, crafts with maps, and MORE.

Registration Deadline 11:00 pm on Wednesday, October 17, 2018. Cancellations must be made by October 17. FREE but requires commitment fee (returned when you attend).

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OTHER WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES

Arizona Council for the Social Studies Fall Conference. **Call for proposals NOW** (until Sept. 7). Conference: Mesa Community College, Oct. 20. <http://acssaz.org/event/2018-arizona-council-for-the-social-studies-annual-fall-conference/>

- **International History and Culture through Food**-- Evening of Oct. 25. Tucson. (K-12 teachers)
- **FREE film screening:** "The Settlers" – Israeli-French-German-Canadian documentary. Tucson – UA campus.
- **Teaching East Asia** free online seminars and discussion groups for teachers. (Apply NOW.)

National Geographic Educator Certification is a free professional development program that recognizes pre-K through 12 formal and informal educators committed to inspiring the next generation of explorers, conservationists, and changemakers. These educators are part of a powerful movement to make the world a better place by empowering students to be informed decision-makers equipped to solve meaningful challenges in their communities and beyond. Don't just teach students about the world—teach them how to change it.

<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/education/programs/educator-certification>

Planetary Learning that Advances the Nexus of Engineering, Technology, and Science (PLANETS) is a NASA-funded collaboration between Museum of Science, Boston, the Center for Science Teaching & Learning at Northern Arizona University, and Geological Survey Astrogeology Science Center to develop and support three new out-of-school time engineering units focusing on planetary science.

COMPETITIONS

GeoBee - Join the Ultimate Geography Competition for Grades 4-8!

Registration is open for the 2018-2019 National Geographic GeoBee! Register your school-grades 4-8-for the annual competition that inspires and rewards students' curiosity about the world. Registration includes study resources for your class, participation and school champion certificates, and more than 400 exciting GeoBee questions to quiz your students about geography, cultures, physical features, history, earth science, and more! Register today at <http://www.natgeobee.org/>

GeoChallenge - Want a project-based learning challenge for your students?

Bring project-based learning to your classroom through the National Geographic GeoChallenge! This annual standards-based competition empowers student teams in grades 5-8 to address a critical issue and change the planet, just like a National Geographic Explorer. This year's theme is Tackling Plastic. Register today at:

<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/education/programs/geochallenge/>

Who will help
me become
the man
I want to be?



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they'll change yours forever.

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www.TeensNeedYou.org



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www.ArizonasChildren.org
FosterTeens@arizonaschildren.org

In collaboration with:



From the Graham County Sheriff's Office....Text a Tip

"The Text a Tip" program allows a citizen to anonymously submit a crime tip to law enforcement in Graham County. This service was started as a combined effort between the Graham County Substance Abuse Coalition and local law enforcement agencies. It is administered by the Graham County Sheriff's Office Communications Division.

How it works:

- ◆ A citizen can text GRAHAMTIP to 79516 and type the message they want to submit.
- ◆ The message is then sent to the Graham County Sheriff's Office Communications Center.
- ◆ The message is sent anonymously so the dispatcher has no way of knowing who sent it.
- ◆ There is no caller ID on your message.
- ◆ The dispatcher will review the tip information and pass it along to the appropriate agency.
- ◆ It can be used to report drugs, gangs, violence, threats, bullying, vandalism, abuse, illegal dumping, etc.

We still encourage those needing to report in-progress emergencies to call 9-1-1.

Further information about the program can be obtained by contacting Sgt. Scott Howell at 928-792-5404 or showell@graham.az.gov.

Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family

"Healthy Families, Healthy Youth"

In 2016, Governor Ducey's Office of Youth, Faith and Family started a pilot program to help families avoid with the realities of addiction and the devastating effects on our children. The "Keep Them Safe" program brings 7th graders and their parents together for an evening of education and planning for strategies to face the stressors, risks and pressures presented to our kids on a daily basis. The program started with one school in each county. This year, it has expanded to include 53 districts throughout the state. Based on the early success of the pilot, we believe the program will continue to expand.

Information is available for all families in Arizona, whether they are in the county programs or not.

Please visit **KeepthemSafe.az.gov** to learn more about strategies to keep communication open and to take advantage of "teachable moments" regarding drug abuse and addiction.

Additionally, the following resources are available:

National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc. - ncadd.org

National Helpline 1-800-662-HELP (4357)

National Institute on Drug Abuse—drugabuse.gov

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration—samhsa.gov

Grant Funding Alerts *It's never too early to start working on a grant!*

Name: Freeport-McMoRan STEM Innovation Grants

Who: K—12 Teachers, school administrators or parent volunteers/PTA officials

Amount: Up to \$5,000

Deadline: March 15 each year (window: Dec. 1—March 15)

<http://www.freeportinmycommunity.com/schools/stem-grant>

Name: Freeport-McMoRan Mini-Grants for Education (Get ready for the next cycle!)

Who: Teachers, school administrators or parent volunteers/PTA officials

Amount: \$100-\$500

Deadline: October 1, 2018 (window: May 1—Oct.1)

Freeport-McMoRan Employee Engagement Programs

Employee Matching Gifts Program - The Freeport-McMoRan Foundation will match employee contributions of \$25 or more, up to an annual maximum of \$40,000. The first \$1,000 contributed per eligible nonprofit organization (including schools) will be double matched and any amount above \$1,000 will be single matched, subject to the annual maximum.

Employee Volunteer Fund - Freeport-McMoRan is proud to support employees that give their time and effort to help those in need by offering funds to match unpaid volunteer hours served. When an employee volunteers a minimum of 25 hours a year with a nonprofit organization (including schools), the organization is eligible to earn either a \$250 or \$500 grant.

FM Employees may learn more about both programs and access the link to process their requests by visit this webpage: <https://www.freeportinmycommunity.com/employees/employee-engagement-programs>

Support My Club – An e-commerce solution where donors can support the needs of high school clubs and sports. Clubs post their specific needs and donors “shop” for items that speak to them. Items are added to the online cart, donors make a 100% tax-deductible purchase and [Support My Club](#) delivers the item directly to the school!

For every \$100 of value received, the school club completes 1 hour of community service, allowing the receiver to become the giver and the cycle of philanthropy to continue.

DonorsChoose.org Makes It Simple to Help Classrooms

DonorsChoose.org is an online charity that makes it easy for anyone to help students in need. Public school teachers from every corner of America post classroom project requests on this site. Donors can find projects or classrooms that most inspire them and make a donation. When a project reaches its funding goal, DonorsChoose.org ships the materials to the school. You'll get photos of the project, a letter from the teacher, and insight into how every dollar was spent. Give over \$50 and you'll also receive a hand-written thank from the students. If you're a teacher looking for support for a classroom project, just go to DonorsChoose.org and start your own account. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation announced that it will match \$1 million in donations to DonorsChoose.org. Donors need to enter the code JUMPSTART to have their donation matched.